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SUBJECT: STAFFING OF WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

REF: STATE 217657

1. WORLD FOOD COUNCIL BUDGET SUBMISSION TO ACABQ WAS FORWARDED TO WFC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JOHN HANNAH ONLY ON AUGUST 27. HE HAS FULL DOCUMENTATION, AND MATERIALS CANNOT BE SENT BY POUCH FROM HERE IN TIME TO BE OF USE TO USUN.

2. GIST OF STAFFING PROPOSAL IS THAT ONLY ONE P-4 POST AND TWO P-3'S ARE PROPOSED AS NEW POSITIONS IN PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY, BEYOND THOSE ORIGINALLY APPROVED, AND THOSE LATER APPROVED BY UNGA IN DECEMBER 1975. BUDGET INCREASE COMES MAINLY FROM TRANSFER OF FUNDING OF PERSONNEL FROM FAO AND OTHER AGENCIES TO UNITED NATIONS: ONE P-4 FROM IBRD TO UN, AND FOUR PROFESSIONS FROM FAO TO UN -- 1 D-2 (AZIZ), 1 D-1 (NOW VACANT), AND 2 P-4'S (GREENFIELD AND BESHAI). ONLY POST WITH CONTINUED FUNDING OUTSIDE UN WOULD BE D-2 POST OF HARRY WALTERS, ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FUNDED BY IBRD. ADDITIONAL GENERAL SERVICE POSITIONS NUMBER EIGHT: FOR LISTED AT G-5 WHICH COULD
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BE GRADED FROM G-1 TO G-6 ACCORDING TO REQUIREMENTS, AND FOUR

OTHERS (G-5, G-4, G-3, AND G-2). IN ADDITION THERE WOULD BE
5 POSITIONS TRANSFERRED FROM FAO TO UN FUNDING (TWO G-6,
1 G-4 AND 2 G-3).

3. IT MAY EMERGE IN DISCUSSIONS THAT TWO P-5 POSITIONS AUTHORIZED
BY UNGA IN DECEMBER 1975 REMAIN UNFILLED. THIS IS TO CREDIT
RATHER THAN DISCREDIT OF WFC AND SHOULD NOT DETRACT FROM NEED
OF WFC FOR THOSE POSTS AND FOR OTHER NEW POSTS PROPOSED. WFC
IS BEING QUITE CHOOSY ABOUT QUALITY OF PERSONNEL FOR THOSE AND
OTHER POSTS. ELENA OF UNDP WAS PROCESSED FOR ONE OF THE P-5
POSTS IN QUESTION, BUT IT HAS RECENTLY FALLEN THROUGH FOR
BUREAUCRATIC REASONS. WFC HAS HAD MUCH DIFFICULTY IN RECRUITING
FOR THE OTHER P-5 POST, IN NUTRITION, BUT HAS AN INDIAN IN MIND.

4. TOTAL STAFF, INCLUDING NEW POSTS AND TRANSFERS FROM FUNDING
BY OTHER AGENCIES MENTIONED ABOVE, AND INCLUDING WALTERS' IBRD-
FUNDED POSITION WOULD BE 18 PROFESSIONALS (ONE ASG, 2 D-2, 1 D-1,
4 F-5, 7 P-4 AND 3 P-3) AND 19 GENERAL SERVICE.

5. ESTABLISHED POSTS ITEM OF BUDGET WOULD BE INCREASED BY
\$398,537 BEYOND \$575,016 ALLOTMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1976-
1977. TOTAL PROGRAM COMPONENT WOULD BE INCREASED BY \$572,405
ABOVE \$1,243,998 ALLOTMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1976-1977,
NOT TAKING ACCOUNT OF 3 PERCENT RESERVE FROM TOTAL APPROPRIATION,
WHICH AMOUNTS TO \$37,320.BEAUDRY

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